



**RESPONSE TO AMUSEMENT DEVICE QUESTIONS
BY THE
GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
AND
ADMINISTRATION-REGULATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

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At the January 26, 2005, joint meeting of the Government Oversight Committee and the Administration-Regulation Appropriation Subcommittee, questions arose regarding the amount of revenue generated by the amusement device industry and what states ban such devices.

The Department of Inspections and Appeals (DIA) contacted the Department of Revenue (DOR) to ascertain whether that agency tracked the amount of revenue generated by amusement devices. This information is not currently available through the Department of Revenue. Beginning in FY06, the counting mechanism required to be on devices by January 1, 2006, and a requirement in the proposed rules to submit a quarterly report will make this information available to both DIA and DOR.

A cursory research of states was conducted to determine which states ban amusement devices like those registered in Iowa. Some of the states that ban these devices are Alabama, Alaska, Connecticut, Michigan and South Carolina.

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